The Good Husband's JEWEL.

Containing, Plain and Eaſy *Directions* how to know the Means whereby Horſes, Beaſts, &c. come to have many Diſeaſes; the Way to cure them perfectly, and with little Coſt or Charge.

Written by a very Skilful *Hand*, who had his Knowledge, not by reading or peruſing any Book, but by above Thirty Years Experience, beſides the Practice of his Anceſtors; being very uſeful for all Country Men, whereby they may be able to ſave their *Cattle*.

With an Admirable and Safe Way for Gelding and Spaving both Male and Female, approved by the Teſtimony of divers Worthy Gentlemen, both Knights and Eſquires, in the Counties of *York*, *Lincoln*, &c.

Alſo Proper *Directions*, for the Deſtroying all Manner of VERMIN in HOUSES, GARDENS, FIELDS, &c.

To which is added,

The true Tutor for Pacing of HORSES.

I. *Of the Turn, Sturdy, or Giddy.*

BEASTS in every Country are ſubject to this Diſeaſe, it may be known either by the Beaſt wandring alone in the Paſture, or by holding up his Head in the Air after an untoward manner, or by turning round or ſideways: A Beaſt from 1 Year old to 3, or under 3, but not before they be 1, or after 4, may be cured of it, before or after that Age it is ſcarce curable; and if it lies in the middle of the Brain, or near the Root of the Horn, if it appear by any of the Signs following, may be eaſily cured. Let it be full ripe, and then it will be eaſier and ſafer to take out. That you may know when it is ripe, and fit to cut, take a Pair of Sciſſars, and clip the Hair off the Forehead, and with your Thumb feel where the Forehead is thinneſt and ſofteſt, being diminiſhed by the fretting of the burning Humour within the Bladder that lieth among the Brains, or being thinner than the other Part of the Brain-pan, yielding more from your Thumb in groping, or the Beaſt doth mean it, more by fretching or ſtirring when you touch that Place than other Places, or when the Skull riſes up in a round Lump in the manner of a Coul, as we call it, by theſe Tokens or ſome of them, you may both know when it is ripe, and alſo where to take it out, for it is a Bladder full of Water, and little white Things like Worms, that are within the Bladder that lieth among the Brains, feeding upon them, and burning and conſuming them.

The Cure.

WHEN you have by the aforeſaid Method found where it lies neareſt, take a Knife and cut the Skin over the

the Place on either ſide, about the Breadth of ——— and likewiſe at the Bottom, and tuck or tie it up with a Thread to the Horn, then take a ſhort Knife and a little Hammar, and cut the Bone on either ſide, and at the Bottom, as you did the Skin before, but not altogether ſo broad as the Skin, and turn it up alſo; then lay the Beaſt on his Back, the Belly being upwards, and the Head turn'd up likewiſe: Then with a ſharp Knife cut the Piameter, or thin Film, wherein the Brains are incloſed, and with a Gooſe Quill ſearch eaſily among the Brains, and if you find the Bladder to be but a little one, about the Bigneſs of a Pullet's Egg, or leſs, and come ſoon away, you may well ſuppoſe there is more, which you may find by ſearching; but if it be a great one, ſo that it will hold a Pint of Water, or more, you may be ſure there is no more. Thus when you have by little and little woven out the Bladder, drain out the Water as clean as you can, then lay the Scalp down as it was before as well as you can, and ſow the Skin aloft on it with a Needle and Thread; then take Linn-Tow and the White of an Egg beaten together, and lay to the wound, bind a warm woolen Cloth faſt aloft on it, and tye it up in a Houſe for a little Time, leaſt it ſhould turn through the Lightneſs of the Brain; give it good Hay, but no Corn, for fear of ſtraining the Head in eating of it. If it be cold Weather, give it warm Water to drink, and by *God's* Help it ſhall do well. The *Turn*, or *Sturdy* in Sheep, is much after the ſame Nature, as in a Beaſt, ſave that it lies in the Top of the Head, between the Horns, and in other Beaſts it lieth before in the Forehead; the ſame Cure is for the Sheep, that is for the Beaſts.

II. *Warbuck, or Warble.*

THERE is a Surrain or Diſeaſe both in Beaſts and ſome in Horſes on both ſides the Ridge of the Back, which is grievous unto them, and is call'd, The *Warbuck* or *Warble*, which is a Worm thick and ſhort like unto a Grub, which feedeth upon the Beaſt's Fleſh, and every one lyeth in a ſeperate Room, and have no Hole to vent themſelves, where you may perceive they are; Theſe Beaſts will not Like, nor Feed, ſo long as theſe Vermine are quick within their Fleſh.

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The Cure.

TAKE a Penny-worth of Black Soap, and boil it in a Gallon of Old Urine, put thereto a Handful of Salt, and bathe the Place where the *Warbles* are, with ſome of the ſaid Urine and Soap, very hot; then take a little fuſty Hay, and put to the reſt of the Urine, and heat it on the Fire, and clap it as hot as you can to the Beaſt's Back, and pour out all the Urine upon the Hay, and bind it on with ſome old Saddle or Pannel, or an old Cloth to keep it on, and keep in the Heat for the ſpace of Two or Three Hours; if this being once done, doth not effectually cure, yet being done twice, it will fully cure the *Vermine*, and heal the Back of the Horſe, without Fail.

III. *Outray, or Lask.*

THERE is another *Surrain* in Beaſts and in Horſes, which is call'd, The *Outray*, *Lask*, or *Looſeneſs in the Belly*; *it cometh ſometimes by eating ſome Filthineſs in the Fodder*, as Hen-dung, or the like; but for the moſt Part it cometh by over-heating in running or chaſing, and after taking a ſudden or over-haſty Cooling, or by feeding upon ſome rotten wretched Flor-graſs in a Boggiſh Ditch: I have cured many of this Diſeaſe, uſing no other Medicine but the ſame which I have uſed for Stalling of Blood, *This I ſhall deſcribe hereafter, in the Chapter concerning the Stalling of Blood.*

IV. *Tinging or Poyſoning.*

TInging and Poiſoning cometh by licking of a Spider, or little creeping Thing, call'd, *a Time*, or *Tent*; which creepeth in the Fodder or Graſs, and the Beaſt, by licking in ſome of theſe with their Meat, will ſuddenly be loſt, if they be not preſently help'd; and if they can get Water before the Diſeaſe be perceiv'd, they are paſt help. You ſhall know them by an extraordinary ſudden hoiſing; for three or four times together; they ſlaver at the Mouth, Water at their Eyes, and likewiſe ſwell both in their Eyes Noſtrills, and Body.

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The Cure.

TAKE forth their Tongue, look under it, and you ſhall ſee a Bliſter, break it either with a Bodkin or Knife; or with your Finger-end, and rub it with a little Salt, then take an Onion, mince it, and put it into Verjuice, Vinegar, or Urine, to the Quantity of a Pint, but beſure you rub it up and down; alſo it is good to bleed them in a Vein of the Cheek under the Eye, for that will take away much of the Poiſoned Blood, for the Poiſon doth infect the Blood, but if you be in the Field or Paſture where you want the former Things, put off your Shoe, and piſs in it; then take a Knife and a Stick, and ſcrape off the Sweetneſs or Chafingneſs within your Shoe, and ſo mix in with the Urine, then give it the Beaſt to drink, and it will expell the Poyſon: It is as good a Thing as can be prepared.

V. *Lung-Sought.*

THERE is a Diſeaſe whereunto Beaſts are ſubject; commonly call'd, *Lung Sought*, which is a long languiſhing Diſeaſe; ſometimes it comes to the Calves, when they have much Milk, and not Water to cool the Lungs; or it cometh to Beaſts by going in Paſtures where they want Water, which makes them linger, by that Means their Leights become Knotty and Dry, and for Want of Moiſture grow to their Ribs: You ſhall know them by the hanging out of their Tongue, and much hoiſing, and alſo by the Hollowneſs, Leanneſs, and Poverty; for they will languiſh much; ſome Men uſe for this Diſeaſe to cut them in the Dew-Lap, and put in Bare-foot, or a Leaf growing in the Top of a Well, call'd, *Setter-Graſs*, and I do not diſcommend this to be done to a ſtrong Beaſt, but if to a weak one, it will endanger its Life.

The Cure.

THE beſt which I find, and have often proved, is not to cut them at all, but to take a Bottle of Ale or Beer, and boil therein a Handful of Feather-few, of Low-time, Fennel, Worm-wood, Southern-wood, Lavender, of each a like

like Quantity; and boil them in the ſaid Ale or Beer; then ſtrain them, and put thereto a Half-penny worth of new Tar, a Half-penny worth of Butter, a Penny worth of *Seville* Oil, or Sallet Oil; give this to the Beaſt every Morning and Evening, if it be weak, but a little at once, and often; if it be ſtrong, more at once, till it be ſpent; and without Doubt it will cure it, for I have cured twelve or ſixteen Beaſts at a Houſe with the ſame Ingredients.

VI. *Staleing, or Piſſing of Blood.*

THIS is a Diſeaſe that many Beaſts are ſubject unto in all Countries, ſome come to it by Strains and Overworking, but the moſt get it upon woody Ground, which is ſubject to Boggs and Rottenneſs, and they may die ſuddenly, if they have not preſent Help.

The Cure.

TAKE Oak, ſhave off the outer Bark, and boil it in Spring Water, till it be Red; likewiſe take Comfrey, and Shepherd's Purſe, Plaintaine Sage, Green Hemp, or Nettles, of each a good Handful, and boil them with the ſaid Bark, then take them forth and ſtrain them, and put a good Quantity of Salt in the ſaid Water; alſo Allom, Bore-Armonack, Chalk, or the Powder of Sea-Coal, any of them is good to put in the ſaid Water; if your Beaſt be weak, give him ſcarcely a Quart, if he be ſtrong, give him more than a Quart at a Time: Once will ſerve, if he have any more than a Quart, but twice will ſerve to be ſure for any Beaſt. Give it to them Luke-warm.

VII. *Murrain, or Gargall.*

THIS is an Infectious Diſeaſe, it cometh oftentimes by ſmelling of dead Carrion, and ſometimes by the Bite of a mad Dog; but for the moſt Part it cometh by feeding upon corrupt Ground, which hath been Flooded or elſe Wrecked. For any of the aforeſaid Things or Cauſes will Putrifie the Blood, and ſo breed the Diſeaſe, which appears in ſome Cattle by a Swelling betwixt the Jaws, about the Tongue-

Tongue-Roots, or under the Throat; The beſt way is to cut them in that Place, and open the Skin with your Finger, and waſh it with ſcalding-hot Chamber-lye and Salt, and then put in ſome Elencampane Roots, and Bare-foot bruis'd; ſome will ſwell on the Top of the Loin, or by the Side of the Rib, as though they were bit by an Urchin, or Toad; Take your Knife, and cut a Hole in the loweſt Part of the ſaid Swelling, and ſtrip out the Water or Lee out of it, and then a Bit of an Elencampane Root put into the ſaid Hole, and it will draw down the Corruption.

Alſo in ſome Cattle the Diſeaſe will not appear by any Swelling, but will be in the Guts or Blows, or Congeal, about the Heart, and is called the *Heart-Murrain*; For this, let the Beaſt Blood on the Right-ſide of the Neck, and on the Left Cheek under the Eye, and alſo on the Tail; then give your Beaſt to drink a Quart of New Ale, with a good Quantity of Spourge, and a little Senna, and run him up and down untill he ſhoot or dung, then take Herb-Grace and Penny-Royal, of each a Handful, ſhred them very ſmall, and mix them with new Tar and Butter, or Sallet-Oyl, and then give them a Ball of that down their Throat of the Bigneſs of an Egg, and rub them upon the Noſe with ſome of the ſame; do it to all your ſound Cattle, and they will not take the Diſeaſe, as the other.

VIII. *The Felon.*

THE Felon is a Diſeaſe that cometh upon Cattle, by feeding in rank and foggy Paſtures, you'll know it by the Heavineſs of their Countenance, and by trembling in the hinder Parts, and a Cow will preſently dry off her Milk; and if ſhe be not preſently help'd, will be ſuddenly dead.

The Cure.

TO cut them in the Dew-Lap, and ſome put in Bare-foot and Garlick, for if they ſhould need to kill and eat the Fleſh, as ſome poor People are forc'd to do, all the Fleſh will ſavour of it. If the Felon comes down to the Dew-Lap, and ſwell upon the Settling that is waxed big by the coming

coming down of the Body, then the Danger is paſt; but if it comes not down, then you muſt give the ſame Drink, which is preſcribed before for the *Murrain*.

IX. *To help a Cow that cannot Calve.*

KINE being with Calve, are Subject to many Infirmities, oftentimes they get a Strain, or a Thruſt, which killeth the Calf within them; if the Calf be ill or dead; ſo that the Cow cannot part with it, let a Man or Woman of Diſcretion take a ſmall Cord, and make a Nooſe therein, and put it upon their foremoſt Finger; and put their Hand therein, and ſearch for the Mouth of the Calf, and with their Finger and Thumb put on the Nooſe, and then let them faſten it upon the Neither Jaw of the Calf, and have ſome body elſe with you to help to draw it, and with the Help of their Hand, they may draw forth the Calf, without hurting the Cow.

X. *Diſeaſes in Beaſts.*

SOME cannot Calve, becauſe the Mouth or Paſſage of the Calf-halm is grown up, being hardened like unto Horn; the Cauſe whereof, as ſome imagine, is, that they have been bulled with a brunt Bull, and in ſome Countries there are many Bulls ſo diſeaſed. If the Paſſage of the Calf be grown up like Horn, which you may know by putting your Hand into the Body of the Cow, and if you find no Paſſage, then lay your Hand upon either Side of the Cow, to feel on whither Side the Calf lieth, for it lieth more on one Side than the other, then take a Pair of Sciſſars, and clip away the Hair on that Side it lieth on, in the midſt betwixt the Thigh and Ribs, then take a Knife, and cut the Skin upwards and downwards, not ſide-ways, and ſo anoint your Arm with New Milk, and put it in, and then ſearch for the Calf's Head; that being found, bring it to the Hole, and with your other Hand take a Knife, and cut the Calf-Halm, wherein the Calf lieth, then with ſome Help, draw the Calf of the ſame Hole; after ſo doing, cleanſe the Healing or Clerning forth of the Calf-Halm;

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and with a Needle and Silk Thread ſow up the Halm again; then ſow up the Fleſh and Skin, and after keep her warm, and Diet her well, for the Space of four or five Days, and ſhe will do well, God willing.

To prevent this Danger, as followeth.

SOME being in Danger of Death, by reaſon of extream Heat, thro' Pain in their Calving, and ſudden Cooling after, by lying on the Earth, or too ſoon drinking of cold Water, or by being abroad in rainy Weather; ſo that the Calf-Halm doth ſwell, and lieth over the Neck of the Bladder, ſtopping the Urine, or Water, that ſhe cannot ſtale, ſo that the Pain thereof is ſo grievous, that ſhe can not ſtand upon her Feet, but lieth down on the Ground, as though ſhe would preſently die.

The Cure.

FOR this the beſt Remedy is, Take two Sacks, or a Window-Cloth, and put under the Body of the ſaid Cow, tye a Rope to the ſaid Cloth, and put it over the Balke of a Houſe or Barn, and draw her up, that ſhe can but touch the Ground with her Feet, then let a Woman anoint her Hand, and work the Calf-Halm from the Bladder, that the Water may have Paſſage, and it will eaſe her of her Pain, and cure her, but by all means keep her warm of Cloaths, and warm Bedding, and give her warm Drinks.

XI. *To help a Cow that ſtrains herſelf in calving.*

SOME Kine by ſtraining themſelves in Calving, their Calf-Halm, Udder, or Bag, will come down, and ſo ſwell up as much as a blown Bladder.

The Cure.

FOR this take New Milk, or Milk warmed, and work it with your Hand; then take *Linſeed*, beaten ſmall to Powder, and *ſtrow* thereon; ſome uſe Pepper braided ſmall, or Chalk: I hold *Linſeed the beſt*; Then put it up with your Hand, and cauſe her hinder Parts to ſtand or lie higher than her Fore-parts by Litter, for three or four Days, and ſhe will be well (God willing)

XII. *Kine getting of Strains or Hurts.*

OThers, upon unnatural Calving, cannot part with their Healing or Cleaning, which is a Thing noysome to them, and causes them to stink, that one can scarce endure to come near them; and in this case the best Help is.

The Cure.

TAKE *Germander* and *Penny-Royal*, and boil them in a Quart of Ale well; then strain them forth, and put therein a little *Saffron*, and give it her to drink, and it shall depart from her within two or three Days.

XIII. *Of Diseases in Sheep: And first of the Blood, or Red-Water.*

THERE is a Disease or Surrains, that Sheep are subject unto in some Grounds or Heaths, call'd *The Blood* or *Red Water*; they will fall into a Shivering like unto a burning Fever: You shall know the Disease by these same Signs; their Skin will be red and bloody, their Flesh will be red, and be full of Sparks and Blood, with some Blood or Water about their Hearts; they will suddenly die after they be taken with that Disease, unless they be immediately helped. The Sheep feeding on a dry privy Ground, and the Grass growing there being of a hot Nature, breeds a hot, superfluous, and bloody Humour, which will engender and spread into the Veins, and overcome the good Humour, because such Grounds don't yield a cool Moisture, to abate the excessive Hotness of the bloody Inflamation.

The Cure.

TAKE the Bark of a young Salpand, and the Bark of a young Elm, with the Herb, call'd, *Bursa Pastoris*; or Shepherd's Purse; also with Comfrey, Plantine, Sage, Penny-Royal, Worm-wood, of each of these afore-said Things a like Quantity, according to the Number of your Sheep; boil them in clear Spring Water, and put in also a Quantity of Allom, and give them to drink, some 8 or 9 Spoonfuls at a Time, and let them Blood in the Eye-vein and

and Tail. This Drink will dry up the hot bloody Humours, cool the Stomach, and Vapours thereof, and bind up the broken Veins where the Blood breaketh forth into the Flesh, and destroyeth the Sheep, This hath been exceedingly approved of, and has help'd many.

XIV. *The Youghth, or Knuckle-Evil.*

THIS Disease is called the *Youghth*, or *Knuckle-Evil*, or *Crook*; it hath a Name from the Neck, or Leg, growing crooked, by reason of the said Disease; some call it the Wood-Evil, and others the Leaf; some suppose that they get it by feeding upon Wood, or some Leaf upon the Ground. I rather suppose they take it by smelling of some Herb or Weed upon the Ground, because they chiefly have it in *April* or *May*, when such Things have got the greatest Smell, and because none but Sheep or Lambs have it, when they are in high Liking, and full of Blood.

The Cure.

TAKE Beef Broin, boil it and scum it well, and put in the Juice of Onions and Penny-royal, with a Quantity of Aqua-vitæ, and give every Lamb, or such Sheep as you do suspect to have the Disease, the Quantity of 3 or 4 Spoonfuls at a Time, in the Beginning of *April*, and let them Blood under the Eye; also give them a good Smeer of Tar over both Cheeks, a little above the Nose, not upon the Lips, for fear of smearing the Udder of the Ewe, which will make her dry up her Milk: This do again in *May*, if you think they stand in Need, and you need do it no more that Year, for the Disease (God willing.)

XV. *The Rot, or Rotteness in Sheep.*

THERE is a Disease or Surrain in Sheep, commonly call'd, *The Rot or Rotteness*, which Sheep are subject to in many Countries, whereby many have been very much weaken'd in their Estates, by the Death of their Sheep in that Disease; they get it by feeding upon *Ketlock*, or other such Weed, growing in Fallow Fields, or by feeding on

Short Graſs, or Leas, or Landsends, where many Wotm-Sprouts be, which the Sheep feeding upon that Graſs, do lick up all the Gravel wrought up by the Worms engendering, which is a great Cauſe of their Rottenneſs, others get it by feeding on a low level Ground, where when a ſudden Rain cometh, the Water ſtandeth, and cannot readily get away, and the Sheep that continually uſe that Ground, will ſlop much Water with the Graſs, which if the Weather be cold, will do them Hurt, but not ſo much as if 'tis warm. Many Shepherds ſay, that if the Weather be hot, their Sheep will take the Rot in 24 Hours, if they be not removed into other Grounds, therefore careful Shepherds, as ſoon as they ſee the Ground wet, and the Day hot, will move their Sheep into higher Grounds for a Space, till the Water be dryed away. Theſe cauſe Diſeaſes thus deſcribed, *viz.* The Water and the aforeſaid Things bring a Faintneſs on Sheep, putrifieth, corrupteth, and conſumeth the Blood, and turneth it into a Waterith Humour, ſo the Blood that is the Life and Strength of the Fleſh, being waſted and corrupted, the Body muſt needs periſh.

To prevent Rottenneſs of Sheep.

A Rule how to prevent this Evil, and to keep 'em ſound, is firſt carefully to remove them in wet Weather, and to keep them upon the dryeſt Ground: They are moſt ſubject to this Diſeaſe in *April*, *May*, *September* and *October*, which is called, *The Spring and Fall of the Year*; They ſeldom take it in Winter, nor much in Summer betwixt theſe Times, unleſs the Winter be wet, foggy, and warm withal; for if it be, they will take it upon the forenamed Grounds, if they be not removed, or have ſome other Help done unto them in due Time.

A Rule to make a Drink to prevent this, and to keep the Sheep ſound from Year to Year, is this that followeth.

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The Cure.

TAKE a Peck or better of Malt, and mash it as tho' you would brew it into Beer, and make of the Malt 11 or 12 Gallons of Liquor, then boil in that Liquor a good Quantity of Herbs, call'd *Burſa Paſtoris*, or Shepherd's Purſe, and Comfrey, Sage, Plantaine, Penny-royal worm-wood, and Bloodwort, of each a good Quantity; and boil them in the ſaid Liquor very well; then ſtrain them forth and put therein ſome Barm, and after the Barm a Peck of Salt, Tun and put them up in Veſſels; then give it your Sheep in wet Weather, after *April* comes in, 7 or 8 large Spoonfuls a-piece, every Week once, if the Weather be wet; if it be dry, you need not ſo often, and ſo continue till *May*, and after as you ſee Cauſe according to the Dryneſs and Wetneſs of the Weather. Give them ſome Time a Lick of Tar, mixed with Herb of Grace chopped, and it will cleanſe the Bowels of much Corruption, and be healthful to the Blood; if you be careful to follow this Practice, you ſhall (by God's Help) keep the Sheep from the Rot: The Price of one Sheep will be ſufficient to prevent the Diſeaſe in twenty; therefore I hold it beſt for every Man to ſpend one for the ſaving of twenty, rather than loſe 20 in ſparing the Price of one. I would not have you follow the old Proverb, in which it is ſaid, *That a Man would loſe a Sheep for a Half-penny worth of Tar.*

XVI. *The Skit, or Looſeneſs.*

MANY Sheep are troubled with a Diſeaſe or Surrain call'd, *Skit, or Looſeneſs*: It cometh often by Cold, or feeding upon moiſt Wateriſh Graſs.

The Cure.

TAKE Salt, and Allom, and give them it in Small-drink, and it will knit them and help them preſently.

XVII. *Of Blindneſs in Sheep.*

THERE are ſome Sheep that are blind by Reaſon of the Superfluity of Blood: For that

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The Cure.

TAKE a little Chalk, ſcrape and blow it into the Eye with a Quill, and let them Blood in the Eye-vein, and put of the Blood into the Eye: that Sheep that is blind becauſe of abundance of Blood, you need not fear that the Sheep is at preſent infected with the Rot; but if the Sheep comes into corrupt Ground, it will take the Rot ſooner than another, by reaſon of the Superfluity of Blood.

XVIII. *Directions in buying of Horſes.*

MANY Men are deceived in buying of a Horſe in the Market, and eſpecially by thoſe that have been lam'd, and put to feed after, and when they come to be ridden, will ſeem to a Stranger to ride well, and be ſound, which when they come to travel, are directly lame whereby many an honeſt Man is deceived; for many a Man will proteſt and ſwear that they are ſound, when they know to the conrrary, only for their private Gain. I have bought 20 or 30 at a Fair, but very ſeldom was I deceived, but have when I believed their Oaths and Proteſtations, and did not follow my own Rule; which I could wiſh and adviſe all Men to believe, rather than their Swearing, unleſs they know them to be honeſt Men. When any one is about to buy a Horſe, let one lead him at the Halter's End, and ſo follow him, and behold the ſetting of his Feet, either upon a Hill-ſide, or upon the Hard-ground, for the Horſe can't them diſſemble; but if he has any Strain, it will appear, by favouring or caſting out his Feet: If you perceive nothing, then ride him upon ſome hard Ground, and after ſo doing, ſet him up in ſome Houſe, where nothing can moleſt him, and give an Eye to his ſtanding; for if he ſtand firm on his Feet, without itching or ſhifting, there is no Danger of his being ſound; but if he ſhift his Feet often, as if he was wearied of them, it is a Sign he is founder'd; but if he reſt on one Leg more than another, or ſtand Bow-Legg'd, or ſet it more forward than the other, it is a Sign that he has got a Strain in the Hoof, he is ſure either to be hurt in the Paſtock-Joint, or within the Hoof, either by Pricks or ſome other Means; which you may know by leading him into a Ditch,

a Ditch, or Washing Pond; for that Foot will sooner dry than the other, by reason of the Heat in the Foot, which proceeds from the Hurt: If it be in the Elbow, gripe him there, he'll lift up his Foot; if in the Shoulder, gripe him there, he'll bite at you, and moan himself very much.

XIX. *Of Diseases in Horses, with their Cures; and first with the Staggers.*

THERE is a Disease in the Head of a Horse, called, *The Staggers*, which comes by a Superfluous Humour burning in the Head, which brings him into such a Rage that he is ready to beat his Brains out, and if he be not immediately helped, will certainly be lost.

The Cure.

THE best Way to help this Disease, is to let them Blood in the Nostrils, or in the Temple-vein, and cut them in the Forehead, and put therein a Slice of Elicampane Root, or a Red Dock, and anoint it with a little Butter and Salt, and take a little Herb of Grace *or* Wormwood *or the Herb call'd,* Robin-run-by-the-hedge, *and bruise them, then mix them with a little* Aquavitæ, *and put them into the Ears of the Horse, and tye his Ears close with a Band or String, that he cannot shake them forth, and he will soon be well, (by God's Help.)*

XX. *Canker in the Mouth of Horses.*

THIS Disease proceedeth from the Heat and Corruption of the Liver; and lieth in the very Root of the Tongue in Beasts and Horses, and a great many have perished for Want of Help.

The Cure.

TAKE the Inner Bark of Elder Tree, Sage, and Woodbine Leaves, chop them small, and boil them all in White-wine Vinegar, and put thereto a good Quantity of Allom and Honey; then take a Linnen Cloth, tye it upon a Stick, and wash their Mouth, Tongue-Root, and Wang Teeth

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...th the Cloth and Stick, dipped in the aforesaid ...r, twice or thrice a-day, and it will soon be whole. ...ath been very often proved, and without any Doubt, ...s allowed to be a special good Thing.

XXI. *Of Chap-falling.*

THERE is another Disease in the Head of a Horse, which is called, *Chap-falling, or Jaw-falling*: It most commonly happeneth to young Mares or Horses, that have rested long in Foggy Grounds, and being full of Blood and Fat, when come to be ridden and heated, and then put into some cold House, or Place, having nothing to eat, their Grease suddenly cooleth, or starkeneth, and stayeth the Passage of their Veins and Sinews, so that they immediately die without present Help. Many Smiths and Farriers do not understand this; for this I have taken them in Hand, when two or three have given them over, and have cured the same oftentimes, both in *Doncaster*, and divers other Places in *Yorkshire*, &c.

The Cure for this Disease.

FIRST prick them through the Grisles of the Nose with an Awl or Elson, and cause them to bleed; then take Brimstone and Frankinsense, beaten or brayed, and strew them upon a Chafing Dish of hot Coals, and lay thereon a little staddle Hay from the Bottom of a Mow, and smoak him very well, to bring Warmness into his Head; then cause him to sweat; then take the Dregs of Beer or Ale, and boil therein Hemlocks and Mawls, or for want thereof Staddle Hay, and sow it about his Head with a Cloth under his Jaws, and it will bring Warmness into his Head, it is good also to anoint the Temples of the Head with a little *Aquavitæ*: These Things being done, he will do well, (God willing.)

Proved, and is as good as any Thing can be.

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